

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

February 15, 2008

Applicant

: Bruce M. Warnes

For

: CVD Codeposition Of Al And One Or More Reactive

(Gettering) Elements To Form Protective

Aluminide Coating

Serial No. : 10/645,707

Group: 4151

Filed

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Examiner: Smith

Confirmation No. 8473

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Dear Sir:

Applicants hereby respond to communication mailed January 22, 2008, requiring election among Group I, II, or III claims and election of species under 37 CFR 121.

Applicants hereby elect to prosecute the Group II claims 20-22 directed to a coated product.

In paragraph 6 of the communication, Applicants also are required to elect a single species from Species 1 or Species 2 that relate to CVD methods.

Although this species election is not deemed pertinent to the elected Group II claims 20-23 to the coated product, Applicants elect Species 1. The elected Group II claims 20-23 are believed to read on the elected Species 1. Applicants respectfully request that the examiner reconsider and rejoin the non-elected Species 2 once a generic claim is held allowable.

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Favorable action is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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enclosure: Postal card

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this correspondence and enclosures are being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on February 15, 2008.

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